

PARCHESTER PRIDE — An absorbed and admiring audience listens to Parchester Village-raised poet George Barlow read from his poetry about the Richmond neighborhood

community during a Saturday program at Greater El Bethel Baptist Church commemorating Parchester's 30th anniversary. Barlow, a former English teacher at Contra Costa

College, now is on the faculty of De Anza College in Cupertino. He has had one collection of his poetry published and another is due for release early next year.

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